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Debas looks forward to improving campus life for all

By LISA CISNEROS

As he looks ahead to the future, Chancellor Haile Debas says he sees "UCSF soaring on the wings of optimism."

Delivering an upbeat state-of-the-campus address on Oct. 8, Debas told faculty, students and staff in a nearly full Cole Hall that UCSF has much cause for elation: the marriage of its Medical Center with Stanford to secure its fiscal stability and to preserve the quality of its teaching, research and patient care, the upcoming birth of its next major campus at Mission Bay to further basic science and clinical research, and the recent international acclaim for studies that may lead to advances to treat fatal neurodegenerative diseases.

"UCSF's mission in life is life — understanding it, nurturing it, improving it, saving it," Debas said.

But in saying this, Debas also says the University must look inward. "I must also admit that UCSF has not always applied the same level of interest and care to campus life and a supportive work environment as it does to issues of life and death. During my tenure as Chancellor, I would like to nourish the seeds of reform now sprouting all over campus and endorse proposals that are being weighed in various committees."

Among these proposals, Debas singled out initiatives such as:

- enhancing programs for staff development and training;
- increasing flexibility in work schedules to improve the quality of personal life;
- developing innovative conflict management programs to resolve workplace problems;
- offering a catastrophic leave bank that will allow vacation leave to be donated to someone in need;
- implementing recommendations that address diversity and gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender issues; and
- planning for the design and occupation of Mission Bay.

"As Chancellor I want people to feel good about coming to work," said Debas. Already some great strides have been made in improving campus life, he said, citing the construction of the Student Health Services Center, redevelopment of housing at Aldea, development of a career resource center for students and postdocs, opening of a child care center at Mission Center, revamped amenities at Millberry Union and increased community-building activities and events for employees and students.

"UCSF has long been known for curing. I would also like it to be known for caring. And that includes our attitudes towards students and staff, who should be praised more often for keeping us honest, energized and productive," he said.

Debas also hopes the campus will begin to pay more attention to what's happening in the schools of dentistry, pharmacy and nursing as well as its affiliated institutions.

In the months ahead, Debas said all campus members will be asked for their opinions and advice on a wide variety of issues that will guide the University into the next millennium. "I know it is a cliché, but we really are all in this together. We should be proud of who we are, what we have done and where we are going," Debas said.

Debas, who says he looks forward to relinquishing his role at the helm, said a committee has now developed "a short list of excellent candidates" for a new chancellor, who should be named early next year.

Faculty and staff reaction to Debas' speech was enthusiastic.

"Haile did what he does best," said Keith Yamamoto, chair of the department of cellular and molecular pharmacology. "He was able to paint a broad vision that includes all of us: that's what we need to see as a community. He showed us that all the accomplishments are tied together and that the success of all of our individual efforts affects us all.

"He emphasized, too, that this is not the time to be standing aside watching things happen, but to take part in helping to shape the future of UCSF."

EMPACT! coordinator Gail Mametsuka, who was unable to attend the Chancellor's speech, feels very heartened by the message. "The whole purpose of EMPACT! is to increase staff moral and build a campus community," she says. "We have so much to be proud of and we need to recognize our accomplishments at all levels. Every job counts and everybody needs to be appreciated."

Prusiner shares laurels with proud colleagues at UCSF

By PAULA MURPHY

UCSF welcomed Stanley Prusiner back to campus last Wednesday, two days after he became the third UCSF winner of the Nobel Prize.

In a press conference, Prusiner discussed the possible applications of his work on prions to neurodegenerative diseases as well as his feelings about winning the prestigious prize that comes with a $1 million award.

"One feels touched, honored and elated," said Prusiner. "But I also feel that this isn't quite right because so many people contributed to this."

Sharing credit with his collaborators for his success, Prusiner invited five UCSF colleagues to the press conference to discuss their contributions to the field of prion research.

Prusiner said his studies on prion diseases in humans, such as Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease (CJD), may provide a "blueprint" for how to approach treatment for other neurodegenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, and amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS).

"The question is, given what we understand, how do we take it forward in a useful therapeutic way," said Fred Cohen, a Prusiner collaborator and professor of cellular and molecular pharmacology. Cohen's laboratory at UCSF studies protein structure and drug design, work that may provide "lessons for gene therapy," he said. "As we learn more about this, we'll learn more about how to treat other diseases."

Indeed, the discovery that prions cause neurodegenerative diseases ushers in a new era of understanding and the promise of treatment and prevention.

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Scientist Stanley Prusiner, right, chats with his lab colleagues, postdocs Maria Galou, left, and Laurence Zulianello and others at a campus reception last Wednesday evening to celebrate their Nobel award-winning research.

Prusiner's collaborators all had a story to tell about him, most following the same theme — at first, they thought Prusiner was nuts for undertaking his work on prions but ultimately they came to believe he was not only brilliant, but right.

Michael Scott, associate adjunct professor of neurology, recalled the first time he met Prusiner, at a scientific presentation. "I remember sitting in the audience thinking, 'This guy must be crazy. Why is he working on something so difficult?'" Scott said. He soon became "overawed" by Prusiner, he said, and was impressed with his confidence in his research — so much so he joined Prusiner's lab 12 years ago. "Stan is my greatest hero," Scott said. "This is the proudest moment for me."

The other UCSF colleagues who spoke at the press conference were Stephen DeArmond, professor of pathology and neurology and an expert on neuropathology of prion diseases; Darlene Groth, Prusiner laboratory manager, who has been with the lab team for 20 years; and Kiyotoshi Kaneko, associate adjunct professor of neurology.

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Mission Bay Task Force Submits Proposal

The Mission Bay Task Force last week submitted to Chancellor Haile Debas its proposal for choosing which programs will move to the at Mission Bay site and how programs at Parnassus may be maximized.

"We have the opportunity to build 2.5 million square feet of new space," said Keith Yamamoto, chair of the task force, who presented an overview of the proposal Friday at the annual luncheon of the Academic Business Officers' Group. "We have the opportunity to really reconfigure the way we do our science...something other institutions don't get a chance to do."

Yamamoto acknowledged that the plan to build a facility at Mission Bay may not be popular among all in the UCSF community — some do not see the need to fix something that's not broken. He said the proposal takes these concerns into consideration, and the remaining challenge is "how to execute it in a way that will allow us to maintain excellence at this institution."

The Chancellor's Cabinet will be considering the proposal, Chancellor Debas will be establishing implementation groups and will hold town hall meetings to familiarize the campus with the proposal.

"I want to make sure that the entire UCSF community has the opportunity to consider carefully what we are attempting to accomplish at Mission Bay and to voice its concerns and suggestions at these campus meetings," said Debas.

The following is the "Proposal for Biomedical Research and Training Programs at UCSF Mission Bay and UCSF Parnassus Heights."

The new campus for UCSF at Mission Bay presents great opportunities and great challenges to our community. The Mission Bay Task Force has deliberated the risks of disrupting the excellence of our research endeavor, as well as the prospects of consolidation and growth of existing programs, and development of new ones. There is likely no biomedical research institution in the country with such a large scale and far-reaching opportunity to reconfigure itself in the midst of revolutionary discoveries that have altered our intellectual juxtapositions, and certainly none in which a perceived shift of setting and culture places such great potential strain on a spectacularly successful graduate education program.

The Mission Bay Task Force was established in December 1996 by the Dean of the School of Medicine as a 16-member faculty committee charged with proposing a roster of basic researchers to occupy a single building that would be erected on a tract within the incipient Mission Bay Development near China Basin in San Francisco. The committee, however, soon came to view its mandate to encompass a much broader series of issues: What should be the eventual redistribution of programs between the Mission Bay and Parnassus Heights campuses? Could redistribution be accomplished in a way that preserves extant programs while fostering innovation and expansion? What should be the fate of clinical and translational research programs in the context of these plans? What would be the impact of such redistribution and expansion on other UCSF research venues? What are the needs and concerns of potential Mission Bay occupants with respect to the overall plan for the campus, the design of the buildings and labs, the availability of

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HHMI selects six young researchers as fellows

Six young UCSF physician-scientists have been selected as fellows by the Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI) to spend the next three years studying the genetic control of organ development, plasticity of the brain, regulation of cholesterol metabolism, and other subjects at the frontier of biomedical research.

They are among 37 physician postdoctoral fellows named by HHMI who will receive training for careers as experts who combine basic research skills with clinical experience. This combination gives them a unique understanding of diseases and helps them think in fresh ways of possible new treatments.

The UCSF physician-scientists selected by HHMI and their area of research are:

- Hwai-Jong Cheng in the laboratory of Marc T. Tessier-Levigne, HHMI and department of anatomy. His project is "Identification and functional analysis of vertebral homologues of Drosophila roundabout."
- Stephen R. Hammes in the laboratory of Shaun R.Coughlin, Cardiovascular Research Institute and department of medicine. His project is "Mechanisms of thrombin receptor shutoff."
- Lynne Alison McInnes in the laboratory of Nelson B. Freimer, department of psychiatry. Her project is "Cloning a gene for severe bipolar mood disorder."
- Jody Lynn Baron in the laboratories of Donald E. Ganem, HHMI and department of microbiology and immunology, and Richard M. Locksley, department of microbiology and immunology. Her project is "Characterization of mechanisms involved in the immune response and pathological consequences of hepatitis B virus infection in a transgenic mouse model."
- Dane Michael Chetkovich in the laboratories of Michael M. Merzenich at the Keck Center for Integrative Neuroscience, and William C. Mobley, department of neurology. His project is "Nerve growth factor in adult cortical plasticity in vivo."
- Edward Kim in the laboratory of Stephen G. Young at the Gladstone Institute for Cardiovascular Research at SFGH. His project is "Defining the physiologic role for protein repair."

The fellows are the latest in a highly competitive HHMI program that supports physicians in obtaining research training in the study of basic biological processes and disease mechanisms. All have completed at least two years of clinical training since graduating from medical school.

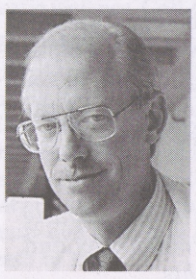
The three-year fellowships provide an annual stipend of $40,000 to $60,000, a research allowance of $16,000, and an institutional allowance of $13,000.

A medical research organization, HHMI is the nation's largest philanthropy. Hughes investigators conduct medical research in HHMI laboratories at 72 academic medical centers and universities nationwide.

Honors & Awards

Adler

Nancy Adler, professor of psychology, department of psychiatry and pediatrics: Appointed to the National Advisory Committee for the Robert Wood Johnson Tobacco Etiology Research Network. This research network, funded for eight years, will provide a scientific foundation on which to base policies concerning tobacco use.


Clark

Orlo H. Clark, chief, department of surgery: Received a Doctora Honora Causus from the Universitaire de Poitiers in southern France on Sept. 29. At the acceptance ceremony, Clark gave a speech titled "Protecting the Future of Surgery" in French. UCSF/Mount Zion and Clark have previously hosted endocrine surgery research fellows from the University of Poitiers. Clark also recently served as president of the International Association of Endocrine Surgeons at its meeting in Mexico over the summer.

Raymond F. Deiken, associate adjunct professor of psychiatry: Received a 1997 Theodore and Vada Stanley Foundation Research Award. The award of $92,000 will support a two-year study of brain regional neuronal dysfunction or loss in schizophrenia with proton magnetic resonance spectroscopic imaging techniques at the San Francisco VA Medical Center Magnetic Resonance Unit. Part of the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill Research Institute, the foundation supports research on the causes and treatment of schizophrenia, bipolar disorder and related disorders.

Daphne A. Haas-Kogan, department of radiology: Recognized as a scholar by the Radiological Society of North America (RSNA) to receive research funding for her project titled, "The Molecular Determinants of the Cellular Response to Ionizing Radiation." The intent of the RSNA scholars program is to facilitate the research activities of young faculty members by freeing at least half of their time for a designed research project by providing funds of $60,000 for two years.

Valerie Ng, associate professor of clinical laboratory medicine and chief, hematology division, clinical laboratories at SFGH: Elected president-elect for the Academy of Clinical Laboratory Physicians Scientists.

Marc Tessier-Lavigne, professor, department of anatomy and department of biochemistry and biophysics; Howard Hughes Medical Institute investigator: To receive the Young Investigator Award for his work identifying factors that guide nerve growth and help the brain get wired up during embryonic neurological development later this month at the annual meeting for the national Society for Neuroscience in New Orleans.

Rudi Schmid, emeritus professor of medicine: Honored in Beijing at a luncheon given by the Minister of Health, professor Chen Minzhang and professor Ba Denian, president of the Chinese Academy of Medical Sciences.

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Meeting with San Francisco Mayor Willie Brown, center, last Wednesday morning are from left, Supervisors Barbara Kaufmann and Leslie Katz, Chancellor Haile Debas, Stanley Prusiner, and Bruce Spaulding, vice chancellor of University Advancement and Planning, while staffers look on.

Prusiner (from page 1)

Feelings of pride

Prusiner's laboratory colleagues have been feeling a combination of excitement and pride. They also feel a sense of vindication about the controversy and skepticism that has surrounded prion research. They are glad that finally, 15 years after Prusiner coined the term prion, his work has been acknowledged by the scientific community in the biggest way possible.

"We're all very happy, everybody worked very hard," said Patrick Culhane, a technician in Prusiner's lab. Culhane described the energy level the morning the award was announced. "People were shouting and drinking champagne. They practically tackled me," he said. "I've never seen the people in the lab happier. It's great for the University."

What is also great, according to several of Prusiner's colleagues, is that the controversy surrounding him and his work may finally dissipate. "I think what is wonderful is that, in the last two years, there has been a lot of counter-publicity, even in scientific journals, and this award shows that the prion hypothesis is clearly accepted by the scientific community as a whole," said Patrick Tremblay, assistant professor of neurology.

Tremblay described Prusiner as a "genius" who, because of his dedication and strong-mindedness, has made enemies as well as friends. "He's a very controversial personality. But I think he's a great human being."

Safar Jiri, associate professor of neurology and an early proponent of Prusiner's work, has conducted experiments on prions for 11 years, the last two of those with Prusiner. Jiri said that because the prion theory was so revolutionary when Prusiner introduced it in 1982, it generated "resentment and denial" in the scientific community. "There was a lot of controversy around it and bad publicity because it was breaking the dogma," Jiri said. "It's amazing to see, finally, the official recognition of the work he has done."

But at the press conference last Wednesday, reporters did not question the validity of the research, but the risk of contracting prion-caused "mad cow" disease — isolated among the cattle population in Great Britain — from tainted beef in the United States.

Meat-eaters need not worry, Prusiner said. "Monday night I ate a steak and it was medium rare," he said. "If I really thought meat in the United States was causing CJD, I would not be eating steak."

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Appointments

The UCSF School of Nursing recently appointed Maria Warda as assistant dean for academic services and diversity enhancement.

Warda

Warda is responsible for coordinating recruitment of students with particular attention to attracting those from underrepresented groups. She also is providing administrative leadership to admissions screening committees, acting as a faculty resource for academic problem prevention, management and resolution and giving general advice to students. Warda, who holds both registered nurse and PhD degrees, comes with a substantial practice background in psych/mental health nursing and nursing administration in that area. For the past six years she has been an assistant professor at California State University, San Francisco, teaching graduate foundation and administrative courses. She did her undergraduate work at Catholic University of University of Puerto Rico and her master's work at Texas Women's University. She completed her doctoral work at UCSF during this past academic year.

UAP wins three AAMC awards

University Advancement and Planning claimed three prizes in the 1997 Awards for Excellence Competition, sponsored by the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC).

Kathleen Kane, assistant vice chancellor of the Office of University Development and Alumni Relations, and Susan Levings, director of Development Communications, took top honors in the electronic communications category for the "UCSF Cancer Center Video: Raising Hope." Kane and Mark Jordan, director of Alumni Relations and Campus Events, also shared the first prize for Special Projects and Programs for the "Raising Hope" benefit event, which raised $1 million in support of the UCSF Cancer Center.

In the general writing category, Jeff Miller, director of University Publications, captured an award of distinction for his article, "Markets and Miracles," which appeared in the July 1996 issue of UCSF Magazine.

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services and amenities, and other matters?

In response to this more expansive agenda, the Chancellor increased the task force to 20 to include representatives from all four schools that comprise UCSF. After productive discussions spanning five months, the committee decided to include in all subsequent deliberations an additional 24 faculty leaders, broadening the representation of groups likely to be affected by the redistribution plans. This group of 44 also took on a liaison function, providing information about the substance of our discussions and seeking feedback and suggestions from colleagues in our constituent departments, programs, ORUs and institutes. Mirroring opinion within the committee itself, the initial responses we encountered ranged from hopeful optimism, to deep concern, to frank opposition. No single idea or scenario was universally embraced, and some were broadly contentious. Nevertheless, some clearly drawn principles, concepts and plans have emerged. The proposal that follows summarizes our consensus view; we stand ready to aid in implementing this scheme.

Principles

- Enunciate an exciting vision for UCSF, establishing new programs that recognize and capitalize emerging opportunities, that address program, department and campuswide priorities, and that create a rich and rewarding integration of basic and translational research.
- Foster and maintain excellence in research and graduate/postdoc training, both at Parnassus Heights (PH) and at Mission Bay (MB), both during and after the transition.
- Develop MB and PH programs in a manner that recognizes their potential impact on other UCSF sites, including San Francisco General Hospital (SFGH), Mount Zion (MZ), VA Medical Center and Laurel Heights, and seeks excellence and coherence at each site, while better integrating our multisite institution.

Overview of key elements of the proposal

- Several major new programs will be among the first MB occupants, e.g., Chemical Biology, Human Genetics, the Center for Addiction Research, the Gladstone Institute for Neuroscience Research, and the Center for Advanced Technology; similarly, migration from PH to MB will make available space for new program development at PH.
- At each site, clinical/translational research labs will be integrated spatially into relevant basic research program areas.
- Moves to MB will be organized around programs; the "center of gravity" for basic research and the Program in Biological Sciences (PIBS) will be at MB.
- The "center of gravity" for translational research and the Biomedical Sciences graduate program (BMS) will be at PH.
- Organizational and administrative structures of Departments, ORUs and graduate training programs will be generally maintained (although a change in space governance is proposed); many or most of these organizational units will eventually be represented on both sites.
- Research space at MB and PH will be allocated under authority of the Chancellor or a Vice Chancellor for Research and an appointed faculty committee.
- Migration of SFGH programs to MB will be planned in a way that facilitates new developments at SFGH, and fosters interactions between MB and SFGH.
- Migration of MZ programs to PH will be planned in a way that facilitates new developments at MZ, and fosters interactions between PH and MZ.
- The programs considered here will initially occupy only about 60% of the total new research space planned for MB. Completion of the MB buildout will produce substantial additional space for further program expansion and development.

Programs at Mission Bay and Order of Migration

Two schemes are described. Each addresses four specific requirements. Plan A places primary focus on (1); Plan B places greater emphasis on (2).

(1) Efficient translocation to MB of many of the basic research faculty

(2) Establishment of multiple new programs

(3) Interspersion of selected clinical research labs into the basic research environment

(4) A critical mass of first-rate basic researchers remains at PH.

Plan A. In this scheme, the order of migration is driven by relatedness of scientific programs, such that programs move together that share intellectual common ground. The order shown approximates a flow from "atoms to organisms."

- Order of Migration:
  Biophysics/Chemical Biology/Structure/Computation, Center for Advanced Technology, BMB, Genetics, Human Genetics, Center for Addiction Research, Gladstone Cardiovascular, Cell Biology, Developmental Biology, Neuroscience, Gladstone Neuroscience.
- Basic researchers from existing graduate programs listed above may elect to move to MB; it is anticipated that about 80% of the PH investigators in these programs would move.
- Labs of selected clinical/translational investigators whose work relates closely to particular programs would be integrated into each program area.
- The center of gravity for PIBS teaching and research would be at MB; administrative offices for Departments most closely allied with the migrant programs, e.g., Pharm Chem, CMP, Biochemistry, Anatomy, and Physiology, would also be housed at MB; certain services may be centralized within MB.
- New research and training programs include Chemical Biology, Human Genetics, the Center for Addiction Research and the Gladstone Neuroscience Institute. In addition, the Center for Advanced Technology would be a new facility that establishes at UCSF new research methodologies that would benefit the overall community but may be too complex, costly or preliminary to be mounted by a single laboratory or department.
- Gladstone facilities will be developed under separate arrangement between the Gladstone Trustees and the Bay Area Life Sciences Alliance (BALSA); these moves would be coordinated with other program moves, and planned to minimize disruption of SFGH programs while fostering MB-SFGH interactions.

Plan B. In this scheme, a strong program migrates to MB and catalyzes formation of multiple new programs that expand and strengthen further that program, and foster a broad range of opportunities and interactions with other areas with high campuswide relevance. In the scheme shown, neuroscience is the "anchor program"; as such, it could be viewed both as an example that could be adapted to other program anchors, and as a general area that may be particularly well suited and situated to serve this role.

- Order of Migration:
  Neuroscience (with multiple new Neuroscience related programs, such as: Center for Addiction Research, Center for Nerve Growth and Regeneration, Center for Learning and Memory, Center for Disorders of the Nervous System, Center for Vision Research, Center for Research into Behavior, Center for Computational Neuroscience, and Gladstone Neuroscience), Human Genetics, Biophysics/Chemical Biology/Structure/Computation, Center for Advanced Technology, Gladstone Cardiovascular, Developmental Biology, Cell Biology, Genetics, BMB.
- With assurance of substantial new resources (space, facilities, new faculty positions), MB would become the "center of the world for neuroscience."
- Broadly conceived centers would readily encompass areas of substantial interest in other areas, both basic and clinical.
- Other new programs, Human Genetics, Chemical Biology, Center for Advanced Technology would be developed in parallel.
- The PIBS Tetrad Programs (Developmental Biology, Cell Biology, Genetics, BMB) and related faculty will continue to operate largely coherently at PH until after completion of MB buildings for the neuroscience initiative and other new programs.
- Rather than a linear "atoms to organisms" translocation strategy, this plan envisions two disciplinary branches moving in parallel — a "systems/organisms" branch, including neuroscience, human genetics, developmental biology and cell biology, and an "atoms/molecules" branch, including biophysics, chemical biology, structure, computation and advanced technology; at the end, these parallel branches will be joined by the translocation of BMB.

Programs at Parnassus Heights

It is crucial that PH remain a vibrant center for basic and clinical research. The committee sought to devise a rational balance at PH and MB by proposing that certain established programs, departments and ORUs remain at PH, and that several new programs be established as space is vacated by MB migrants. One notable proposal by the committee is to establish at PH, at least in part, several of the basic research programs affiliated with the UCSF Cancer Center. This will help to maintain strength at PH, and simultaneously help to galvanize PH-MZ interactions. Certain programs will similarly underpin PH-MB-MZ relations; cancer genetics at PH, for example, will be fully grounded in human genetics and cancer, which will be based at MB and MZ, respectively.

- Programs: Cancer Genetics; Cancer Chemotherapeutics; Biopharmaceutical Sciences; Cancer Research Institute, Hooper Foundation; Immunology, Infection, Immunity and Autoimmune Diseases; Signaling; Diabetes Center/Hormone Research Institute; Reproductive Biology/Reproductive Endocrinology Center; Cardiovascular Research Institute.
- Some investigators affiliated with programs listed above will elect to move to MB; some investigators affiliated with the UCSF Cancer Center will be located at PH; any moves from MZ to PH would be planned in a manner that would minimize disruption of MZ programs while fostering PH-MZ interactions.
- Signaling is not presently a formally established program, and rather refers to a group of investigators affiliated with cell biology, immunology, neuroscience, developmental biology and BMB. Studies of signal transduction have taken on central importance in many areas of biomedical research, and could serve as a strong organizing center.
- The center of gravity for BMS teaching and research will be at PH; administrative offices for Departments most closely allied with the PH programs, e.g., Microbiology/Immunology and Biopharmaceutical Sciences, together with the resident ORUs and institutes, CRI, CVRI, Hooper and HRI, will also be at PH; certain services may be centralized within PH.
- Programs will be spatially consolidated, and developed or expanded as space becomes available; labs of basic and clinical/translational investigators will be integrated in each program area.

Afterword: Promoting a long term vision for UCSF

The development of the new campus for UCSF at Mission Bay presents a remarkable opportunity for our community to stretch its collective imagination about the long term future of biological and biomedical research, and how UCSF can best anticipate and respond to the changes perhaps ten, twenty or more years ahead.

As one example, the committee discussed briefly the notion that UCSF might some day be able to expand the range of our scientific activities to include upper level undergraduate programs in relevant areas of physics, mathematics, computation, materials science, bioengineering and the like. Although the political and logistic hurdles that lie across this path are daunting, such a scheme could be intellectually stimulating and justifiable, and a potentially exciting way to bring brilliant young minds and fresh viewpoints into our community.

In any case, now is the time to begin a dialogue that will maximize our use of this new opportunity. We should dare to be bold.

The proposal also includes sections on "Governance" and "Needs and Concerns." See the entire proposal on the UCSF webside (http://www.ucsf.edu/)

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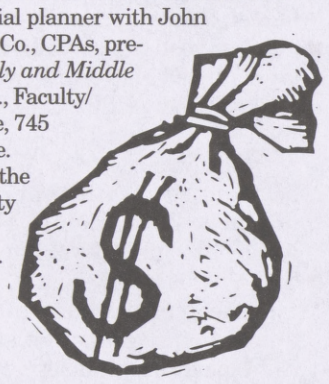
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE EXHIBIT: The rape prevention education program presents *The Silent Witness Project: A National Touring Exhibit,* 11 a.m.-2 p.m., MZ cafeteria. Call 476-5223.

BROWN BAG LECTURE: J. Claude Hemphill, assistant clinical professor, neurology, UCSF Stroke Service and director, neurovascular services at SFGH, presents *Stroke: An Ounce of Prevention is Worth a Pound of Cure.* Learn about the basic causes of stroke, means of prevention and innovative treatments available. 12:10-1 p.m., HSW 300. Sponsored by Public Service Programs. Free. Call 476-4394.

FINANCIAL PLANNING SEMINAR: Daniel K. Beatty, financial planner with John W. Brooker & Co., CPAs, presents *The Early and Middle Years,* 7-9 p.m., Faculty/Alumni House, 745 Parnassus Ave. Sponsored by the Alumni-Faculty Association. Call 476-1421.



16 Thursday

FACULTY DISCOUNT ON BOOKS: The UCSF Bookstore is offering a 10 percent faculty discount all day on bookstore merchandise. Eligible academic and clinical faculty must present a valid UCSF photo ID badge or a current business card to receive the discount. Call 476-2518.

BUILDING AWARENESS: Learn about the stress-relieving Feldenkrais Method, an innovative approach to development awareness, which is excellent for seniors and people recovering from an injury, or who have back troubles or chronic pain, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., MU Fitness Center. Call 476-1115.

BROWN BAG LECTURE: Sandy Bright, organizing and time management consultant, presents *Let's Get Organized,* 12-1 p.m., MCB Room 126. Learn valuable systems to gain control over daily mail and paper clutter to relieve personal stress and manage time more effectively. Sponsored by Public Service Programs. Call 476-4394.

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP: The UCSF/Mount Zion Cancer Resource Center offers a Head & Neck Cancer Support Group, 1:15-2:15 p.m., UCSF Cancer Center, 7th floor. To register, call 885-7623.

FACULTY BOOKSTORE RECEPTION: The UCSF bookstore invites all UCSF faculty to attend a wine and cheese reception, 5-7 p.m., MU Plaza east, with Il Violino Zigano Strolling Violinist. Presented by Arts & Performances and EMPACT! Call 476-2518.

ARTS & PERFORMANCES: *Men in Black*, 5:45 and 8 p.m., Cole Hall Cinema. Cost $2-3.50. Call 476-6932 or check the website at http://artsperf.ucsf.edu.

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17 Friday

WELLNESS LECTURE: Dale Borglum, educational director of the living/dying project, presents *Passion & Compassion: Caregiving for Self and Others,* 12-1 p.m, HSW 300. Learn to transform caregiving into selfless service. Designed for caregivers wishing to prevent burnout, those who are ill, and anyone wishing to take better care of themselves, those they love, or those they work with. Free. Sponsored by the Institute of Healing Arts & Sciences and Millberry Fitness Center. Call 584-4416.

ARTS & PERFORMANCES: See 10/16 listing.

18 Saturday

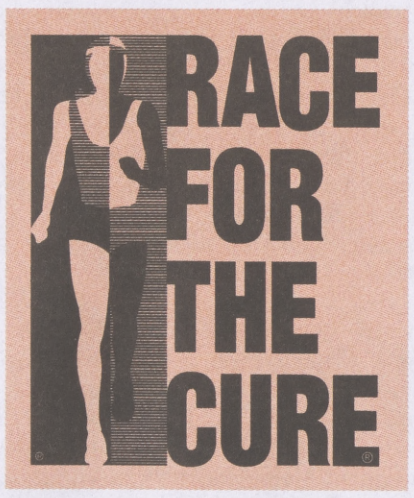
Paramount's GREAT AMERICA®

UCSF FAMILY DAY AT GREAT AMERICA: UCSF and EMPACT! present family day, 2-10 p.m., Paramount's Great America. Enjoy a picnic meal, free shows, a raffle drawing, exclusive ride time and private shows. $20/7 years and up; $15/UCSF students; $10/children 3-6 years; free/children under 2. Sponsored in part by Airtouch Paging. Call 476-2675.

TREE PLANTING CEREMONY: To commemorate 5,000 kidney transplants at UCSF, the Transplant Service will plant 5,000 trees in the Bay Area beginning with a ceremony at noon in Golden Gate Park, Speedway Meadow.

19 Sunday

NATIONAL MAMMOGRAPHY DAY: The UCSF Mobile Mammography Van offers convenient breast cancer screening from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays for women with no known breast problems. The exam costs $65 and takes no more than 20 minutes. The only requirement is written or verbal approval from a doctor. To make an appointment at the following San Francisco locations, call 476-2193. Oct. 16: Nordstrom at Stonestown Shopping Center; Oct. 17: 5th and Market, Nordstrom at the San Francisco Center; Oct. 20-21: Levi Strauss Plaza, Battery Street between Union and Greenwich streets.



BREAST CANCER RUN: Join campus members in this 5K run or walk in Golden Gate Park. The annual event raises money to pay for breast cancer research and early breast cancer detection programs. Sponsored by the Susan G. Komen Foundation. Call 885-3693.

20 Monday

DEAN'S RESEARCH SEMINAR: The series has cancelled lectures in October and December. The scheduled speaker for October, Dean Sheppard, will combine his talk with that of Rich Locksley and David Corry on Nov. 17 at 3:30 p.m. in N 225. The title of the lecture will be The Conundrum of Asthma.

BETTER VISION NOW: Doug Holsclaw, associate professor of ophthalmology, presents *Better Vision Now.* Learn new surgery options for vision correction. 6 p.m., Beckman Vision Center, 8 Kirkham Ave. Free. Call 476-5021.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mandatory reporting of domestic violence

Michael Rodriguez, assistant clinical professor of family and community medicine at SFGH, is the 1997 speaker for the California Wellness Lectures. Rodriguez will address "Mandatory Reporting of Domestic Violence: What Do Patients and Physicians Think?" during his lecture on Thursday, Oct. 23, from noon to 1 p.m. at Carr Auditorium, SFGH.

Rodriguez is a violence prevention consultant and advisor with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Institute of Medicine, and Pan American Health Organization. He established the San Francisco General Hospital Violence Prevention Task Force and is co-director of San Francisco's Family Violence Council Health Care Committee. The California Wellness Foundation and the University challenge faculty to develop research-based strategies and public policies to bring health promotion perspectives into the mainstream of health care delivery.

Campus health fair

The UCSF School of Pharmacy is sponsoring a health fair on Friday, Oct. 24, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Millberry Union Conference Center. Everyone, including the public, is welcome to attend. There will be informational tables on asthma, deaf awareness, cholesterol, herbal medicine, HIV/AIDS/safe sex and much more. Free screenings for diabetes and hypertension will be available. For more information, call Gina Delucca at 664-5712.

Weekend kayak trip

Outdoors Unlimited presents a weekend getaway that you won't forget, Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 25 and 26. Enjoy the California fall weather by kayak! OU will provide the leadership and kayaking equipment. Cost $60/70/75. For details, call Outdoors Unlimited at 476-2078.

Mission Bay forum

The Office of Public Affairs sponsors a UCSF campuswide forum to be held on Tuesday, Oct. 28, from noon to 1 p.m., in HSW 303 to discuss and critique the proposed architectural plans for UCSF's next campus at Mission Bay. The plans will also be exhibited in the Med Sci lobby, as well as several other locations in San Francisco.

Crede lectureship

Thomas Inui, who is the 1997 Robert H. Crede Visiting Lecturer, will present two major lectures on Wednesday, Oct. 29 and Thursday, Oct. 30, at noon, at SFGH Carr auditorium and N 22 respectively. The SFGH lecture is titled "Appreciating the complexity of scientific advance in primary care: Caring for a patient with sickle cell anemia." The Parnassus lecture is titled "Building an 'academic HMO' in a competitive medical marketplace: Another instance of problem-based learning at Harvard Medical School." For more information, call Sheila Ramos at 206-6188.

Halloween carnivals

Millberry Programs and Services and EMPACT! will be hosting Halloween carnivals at various UCSF sites. Join in the pumpkin carving contests or dress for the holiday and enter the costume contests. Schedules are as follows: Thursday., Oct. 30, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Laurel Heights; Friday, Oct. 31, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., MCB courtyard; 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. MU gym; 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Mount Zion; noon-1 p.m., Executive Park; noon-1 p.m., Oyster Point; and noon-1 p.m., SFGH cafeteria. Call the EMPACT! hotline for more information at 476-6932.

Open enrollment time

The Benefits Office will be offering open enrollment fairs for UCSF faculty and staff on Monday, Nov. 17, from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., in Millberry Union and from 2 to 4 p.m. for annuitants, at the Faculty/Alumni House at 745 Parnassus Ave. This is an opportunity to enroll or de-enroll from UC-sponsored medical, dental and vision plans, as well as change your participation in the Dependent Care Assistance Program (DepCare) and the Tax Savings on Insurance Premiums (TIP) program. Employees may also transfer to a different medical or dental plan, or add eligible family members to their current plans.

Open enrollment will begin on Saturday, Nov. 1 and end Friday, Nov. 21. All changes will become effective January 1,1998.

Poet writes about roots

The Women's Resource Center presents "Readings from Stolen Moments," Tuesday, Nov. 18, from 12 to 1 p.m., in N 217. Nellie Wong, a senior analyst in affirmative action at UCSF and author of two other poetry collections, "The Death of Long Steam Lady" and "Dreams in Harrison Railroad Park," will read from her third collection. Her poetry reveals the working life of a woman, the pleasures she takes in food, music and movies, her roots in Chinese-American culture, and her deep commitment to justice everywhere. For more information, call 476-5222.

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Nellie Wong

World AIDS Day launch

The AIDS Research Institute (ARI) will be launched on World AIDS Day, Monday, Dec. 1, from noon to 1 p.m., at the AIDS Memorial Grove in Golden Gate Park. Join the leaders of the Grove in remembering those who have died from AIDS. An inaugural symposium will be held from 2 to 5 p.m., in Cole Hall to launch the ARI, as well as honor UCSF scientists and local leaders who have been active in and dedicated to the fight against AIDS. One of the featured speakers will be Peter Piot, executive director of UNAIDS. For more information, call Elizabeth Longstreth at 597-9203.

Rent a Tahoe ski cabin

Outdoors Unlimited has three modern Tahoe cabins available from December through April with all the amenities. Sign up early and plan your winter weekend getaway! Students and Millberry members may reserve now, and UCSF staff may make reservations beginning Monday, Oct. 27. For more information, call Outdoors Unlimited at 476-2078.